

Minutes of The Heritage Committee  
Town Hall - June 17, 2014 - 7 p.m.

Members present:

Ray Wilcox, Roger Ives, Chet Kuras, Jack Quinn

Absent; W. Hansen, A. Magid

Vice Chairman Jack Quinn called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Citizen Comment: None

Minutes: Mr. Kuras moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2014 meeting;  
Mr. Wilcox seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Farmland Preservation Program/Open Space Subcommittee

Mr. Wilcox noted that there are two active applications in the approval process; with funds from the current budget and the funds approved in the 2014-2015 budget; we should be able to purchase developmental rights from 2 farms, with considerable acreage.

Commercial Subcommittee

Mr. Quinn stated that he thinks the new restaurant the Three Figs is doing well.

Conservation Committee update

Mr. Wilcox reported the Commission did not meet this month; the Commission is still dealing with the wetland violations on Austin Street, and is working with the Army Corp of Engineers. The Army Corp of Engineers is called in when 5,000 sq. ft. are involved.

Zoning and Planning Commission update -

Mr. Kuras reported that the CVS was approved unanimously and the applicant was commended for the building design. He also noted that the package store at 14 S/ Grand Street, West Suffield was approved.

The Commission also approved the Sand and Gravel Pit/Operations renewal permit with 28 conditions. There is concern from the surrounding residents and abutters regarding the moving of the road, and the number of trucks that could run approximately 30 to 70 trips a day.

WPCA update

Mr. Roger Ives distributed to the members, copies of the proposed FATS, Oils, and GREASE (FOG) Pretreatment Ordinance. This ordinance is not mandated, but it does need Town Meeting approval.

Signage –

The Committee is anxious for the Olson property to get its Farmland Preserved sign installed. Mr. Hansen will give an update at the next regular meeting of The Heritage Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbie C. Kling, Secretary HC.Minutes.June.17.2014